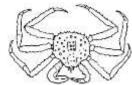
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JUNEAU AREA SUMMER PERSONAL USE RED AND BLUE KING CRAB FISHERY CLOSURE ANNOUNCEMENT

Juneau. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the summer personal use red and blue king crab season in Section 11-A (Juneau area) will **not open on July 1, 2012**, as provided in regulation.

Once the 2012 survey data have been analyzed, a News Release will be issued in early July 2012 explaining survey results and, if appropriate, announcing an opening date for the fishery, associated bag and pot limits, and information on obtaining a personal use fishing permit required to participate in the Section 11-A fishery.

Information regarding the red and blue king crab personal use fishery outside Section 11-A will be addressed in a separate news release. For more information on the status of the red and blue king crab personal use fishery outside Section 11-A please contact Adam Messmer at (907) 465-4853 or Joe Stratman at (907) 772-5238.

Fishermen are reminded that the region-wide personal use fishing season for Tanner and golden king crab in Southeast Alaska will close at 11:59 p.m. on June 15, 2012, and reopen at 12:00 a.m. on July 1, 2012.

The emergency order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1C1412.

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